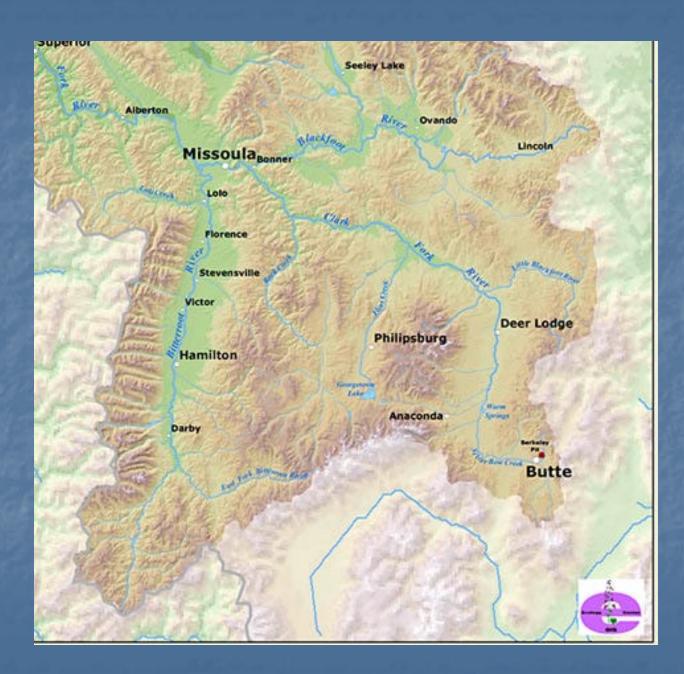
# Upper Clark Fork River Restoration

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#### Restoration Area

Warm
Springs
Ponds to
Garrison
Junction



## Background

- Historic Mining in Butte and Anaconda
- Pollution along the river banks
- Superfund





## EPA's Clean Up Plan

- Remove the most polluted soil and replace with clean soil
- Till less polluted soil with lime
- Plant a riparian corridor

Almost all on private lands



## The Clean Up Plan

The State
The EPA

**ARCO** 

Landowners

Enviro Groups

#### Scenarios

- 1. Cleanup is forced
- 2. Cleanup is temporary
  - 1. Grazing
  - 2. Growth
  - 3. Extractive Industry
- 3. Cleanup is permanent





#### Landowner Threats

- 1. Loss of riparian grazing
- 2. Weeds
- 3. Disturbances to farming
- 4. Government on private lands
- 5. Development/Growth
- 6. Fear of the unknown...



### 1. An Excellent Ecological Clean Up

The ecological cleanup is the platform on which economic, educational, and social change happens.

#### 2. Landowner Involvement

- 1. Listen
- 2. Look for leadership
- 3. Listen

## 3. Public Planning Process

#### 1. Vision Meeting

- 1. Keep kids here
- 2. Good Education
- 3. Local jobs
- 4. Beautiful place
- 5. Good Amenities
- 2. Tasks
- 3. Working Group
- 4. Written Plan



#### 4. Community Implement the Plan

**Restoration Jobs** 

Labor

Natural Asset

Jobs in the community

**Restoration Education** 

Balanced look at choices



Exportable Asset – National leader in restoration

A livable community

